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BOTH THE TIMES OF ZAMBIA, OWNED BY THE RULING UNITED NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE PARTY (UNIP), AND THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL, TODAY COMMENT ON THE TOUCHY ISSUE OF SPORTS TIES WITH SOUTH AFRICA,

A SUBJECT UP FOR DISCUSSION AT THE RECENT LONDON COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE.

THE TIMES EDITORIAL SAYS SOUTH AFRICA SHOULD NEITHER BE IN THE UNITED NATIONS, NOR BELONG TO ANY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AT ALL BECAUSE, ACCORDING TO THE PAPER, WHAT THAT GOVERNMENT "STANDS FOR IS THE ANTITHESIS OF WHAT EVERY DECENT NATION IN THE WORLD (EXCEPT RHODESIA AND SOME OF THE SOUTH AMERICAN BANANA REPUBLICS), "STANDS FOR."

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SOUTH AFRICA, IN THE OPINION OF THE TIMES, BELONGS TO THE UN AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL BODIES BECAUSE OF THE WEST'S DUPLICITY.

"BY BOYCOTTING EVERY SPORTING EVENT IN WHICH A SYMPATHIZER OF THE RACISTS IS INVOLVED, AFRICA WILL BE SHOWING THAT SHE WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE WEST'S DUPLICITY," SAYS THE PAPER.

IT OBSERVES THAT "FOR ZAMBIA, SOUTH AFRICA IS THE GREATEST IMPEDIMENT TO INDEPENDENCE IN NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE."

THE ZAMBIA DAILY MAIL, CLAIMING THAT ZAMBIA HAS AMPLE GROUNDS FOR BEING OUTSPOKEN ON THE ISSUE OF ISOLATING THOSE WHO MAINTAIN SPORTS LINKS WITH SOUTH AFRICA, COMMENTS:-

"FOR THE AFRICAN NATIONS, THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE TO CHANGE IN SOUTH AFRICA, SHORT OF NATIONALISTS STORMING THEIR WAY INTO PRETORIA, IS THE ONLY WEAPON AT THE COMMAND OF AFRICAN NATIONS. THAT IS SACRIFICE THROUGH BOYCOTTS OF SPORTS EVENTS AT WHICH SOUTH AFRICA AND HER PARTNERS IN CRIME PARTICIPATE."

THE PAPER CONTENDS "THAT BECAUSE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ARE SO FANATICAL IN THEIR LOVE FOR SPORT, THE STORMING OUT OF THE MONTREAL OLYMPICS LAST YEAR BY 20 COUNTRIES ON ACCOUNT OF NEW ZEALAND WAS A BIG BLOW TO THEM."

"AFRICA SHOULD REMAIN VIGILANT AND MILITANT BY MAINTAINING THIS STIFF POLICY AT FUTURE SPORTS EVENTS," THE PAPER URGES, ADDING THAT "THE IDEA IS THAT THE NON--VIOLENT STRUGGLE SHOULD LEAVE NO ROOM FOR NATIONS SITTING ON THE FENCE OVER THE ISSUE." ITEM USIS LUSAKA.
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